

2008 SOUTH DAKOTA NURSES FOUNDATION (SDNF) SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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NAME

ADDRESS

SD RESIDENT: ☐ Yes ☐ No

TELEPHONE NUMBER(S)

E-MAIL ADDRESS

Your cumulative GPA upon completion of your baccalaureate nursing program _____ (enclose transcript, unofficial copies acceptable)

Your cumulative GPA currently or upon completion of your master's in nursing program (if applicable) _____ (enclose transcript, unofficial copies acceptable)

PROGRAM OF STUDY YOU ARE PURSUING:

Check one and write in name/address of college or university:

☐ Master's degree in nursing - area of study or major: _____

Name & address of college or university: _____

☐ Doctoral degree in nursing - area of study or major: _____

Name & address of college or university: _____

☐ Doctoral degree in a related field - area of study or major: _____

Name & address of college or university: _____

YOUR CURRENT STUDENT STATUS (check one): ☐ admitted ☐ admitted and enrolled Anticipated date of graduation: _____

Briefly describe your goal upon completion of the above educational program:

YOUR SDNA MEMBERSHIP STATUS (check one):

☐ Current SDNA member Length of SDNA membership (years, months) _____

☐ Not a current SDNA member (not eligible for this scholarship)

TWO (2) LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION describing your personal qualities and activities that exemplify your leadership, compassion, involvement in professional organization(s), professional activities, and community service.

- At least one letter of recommendation should be from a faculty member with whom you have had your most recent nursing program experience
- One letter of recommendation may be from a professional colleague.

YOUR CURRENT RESUME

YOUR PERSONAL STATEMENT addressing a) career goals, b) personal qualities that affect your nursing practice, and c) how your career goals and personal qualities reflect South Dakota Nurses Foundation purposes of education, research, and service. Please enclose personal statement and limit statement to 500 words or less.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION MATERIALS

- ☐ Completed application form
- ☐ Transcript(s) for baccalaureate degree, and master's degree where applicable
- ☐ Current resume
- ☐ Two letters of recommendation
- ☐ Personal statement

APPLICATION MAILING INFORMATION

South Dakota Nurses Foundation
c/o South Dakota Nurses Association
PO Box 1015
Pierre, SD 57501-1015

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MUST BE POSTMARKED BY JULY 15, 2007

SOUTH DAKOTA NURSES FOUNDATION (SDNF) SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA AND APPLICATION MATERIALS

Purpose: To provide one \$1,000 scholarship to a graduate student pursuing a master's or doctoral degree in nursing or a related field with the goal of practicing nursing in a South Dakota high need area or teaching in a South Dakota baccalaureate or higher degree nursing education program.

Eligibility Criteria:

1. Registered nurse who is a current South Dakota (SD) resident and member of SDNA for at least one year.
2. Graduate student pursuing a master's or doctoral degree in nursing or a related field with the goal of practicing nursing in a South Dakota high need area or teaching in a South Dakota baccalaureate or higher degree nursing education program.
3. Cumulative GPA 3.0 or higher upon completion of highest degree, i.e., baccalaureate nursing program or master's nursing program
4. Career goals and personal qualities congruent with South Dakota Nurses Foundation purposes
5. Evidence of leadership, compassion, involvement in professional organization(s), professional activities, and community service

Application Materials:

1. Completed scholarship application form
2. Transcripts for baccalaureate degree and master's degree, where applicable
3. Current resume
4. Two (2) letters of recommendation describing the applicant's personal qualities and activities that exemplify leadership, compassion, involvement in professional organization(s), professional activities, and community service
 - a. At least one letter of recommendation must be from a faculty member at your graduate nursing program.
 - b. One letter of recommendation may be from a professional colleague.
5. Personal statement by the applicant in which the applicant addresses:
 - a. career goals,
 - b. personal qualities that affect the applicant's nursing practice, and
 - c. how these career goals and personal qualities are congruent with the purposes of this scholarship.

**For more information about the South Dakota Nurses Foundation,
go to www.sdnursesassociation.org and click on Foundation**